Funding Opportunities

Government and Private Grant Sources for Education Programs

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The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) / Institute of Education Sciences

Encouraging New Ways to Monitor Educational Progress

PROGRAM: The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) surveys the educational achievement of students in the United States and monitors their progress over time. This research program encourages the preparation of reports that would not otherwise be available, utilizing new ideas or state-of-the-art techniques to analyze and report the information contained in NAEP and the NAEP High School Transcript Studies (CFDA#: 84.902).

DEADLINE: May 13, 2004.

FUNDING: Range of awards $65,000 - $100,000.

ELIGIBILITY: Public, private, for-profit and nonprofit organizations or consortia of such organizations.

CONTACT: Alex Sedlacek, U.S. Department of Education, IES, National Center for Education Statistics, 1990 K St., N.W., Washington, DC 20006-5500, email: alex.sedlacek@ed.gov, (202) 502-7446, fax: (202) 502-7440. For more information, visit the website at http://www.ed.gov/programs/naep/index.html.

21st Century Community Learning Centers Program / Florida Department of Education (FLDOE)

Providing Learning Centers for Title I School Communities

PROGRAM: The purpose of this grant is to provide before, after or summer school programs for Title I students and their families. The program is designed to serve students and families of students who attend schools with a high concentration of low-income, low-performing schools and schools designated as in need of improvement under Title I (pursuant to Title I part A, Subpart I).

DEADLINE: May 10, 2004.

FUNDING: Total amount of $24,393,418; applicants must apply for a minimum of $50,000 per year. Previously funded 21st CCLC awards ranged in scope from $200,000 to $1,400,000. Most 21st CCLC awards average about $200,000 per center. The amount per grant varies depending on the type of services offered, the number of students served and the number of centers within a program.

ELIGIBILITY: Local education agencies (LEAs), community-based organizations (including faith-based organizations), other public and private entities, or a consortium of two or more such agencies, organizations, or entities. The statute encourages eligible organizations to collaborate in applying for funds.

CONTACT: Brandy Bartol, Director of 21st CCLC Program, (850) 245-0424 Brandy.Bartol@fldoe.org. For program details, visit http://www.firn.edu/doe/curriculum/cclcgrant.html.

Allstate Foundation

Funding Three Community Initiatives

PROGRAM: The Allstate Foundation funds programs that support three focus areas: safe and vital communities; tolerance, inclusion and diversity; and economic empowerment.

- **Safe and vital communities:** project will foster safe and vital communities where people live, work and raise families. These communities should be economically strong, crime-free and offer a sense of belonging and commitment.
- **Tolerance, inclusion and diversity:** projects will support the link between crime-free communities and tolerance. Allstate believes personal safety and security can be achieved when individuals feel a sense of belonging.
- **Economic empowerment:** projects will encourage a thriving, viable community where residents have access to economic resources and knowledge to make informed decisions about their financial future.

DEADLINE: Open.

FUNDING: Varies.

ELIGIBILITY: 501(c)3 nonprofits.

CONTACT: Florida Region, The Allstate Foundation, 780 Carillon Parkway, ste. 400, St. Petersburg, FL 33716-1112, (800) 877-6800. For information on how to apply, visit the website at www.allstate.com/community.

Motorola Foundation

Encouraging Lifelong Learning

PROGRAM: Motorola Foundation provides funding to higher education and a multitude of primary and secondary education programs. These programs will assist individuals in reaching their greatest potential and encourage them to become lifelong learners.

Their goal is to augment education levels for youth throughout the world where they do business, this includes Florida communities. Focus will be on math, science and engineering education. Emphasis is also placed on assisting human services, primarily through support to local United Way organizations.

Global Priority Giving Areas are:

- Universities - engineering/ technical/science programs.

- Programs reaching traditionally under-represented groups in the areas of math, science, engineering and business.
- Programs providing technical assistance, research and statistical information on the state of science and engineering education.
- Strengthening science and mathematics education at the pre-collegiate level.
- Programs that support the protection and preservation of the environment.

DEADLINE: June 30, 2004.

FUNDING: Varies.

ELIGIBILITY: 501(c)3 nonprofits.

CONTACT: For more information, visit the website at www.motorola.com/MotorolaFoundation.

CDW•G and Discovery Channel Sweepstakes

Giving Away a Wireless Computer Lab

PROGRAM: CDW•G and Discovery Channel School have partnered to give away a Wireless Computer Lab. The lab is complete with 20 IBM Think Pad Notebook Computers, accessories, on-site set up and the flexibility to take the technology anywhere in the school. Also, first, second, third and fourth place awards will be given (see funding below).

DEADLINE: May 15, 2004.

FUNDING: One grand prize winner will receive a mobile wireless notebook lab ($40,000 value); ten first place winners will receive projectors from Hewlett Packard (HP); ten second place winners will receive networking products from D-link; ten third place winners will receive inkjet printers from HP, and ten fourth place winners will receive a selection of curriculum materials from the Discovery Channel School library.

ELIGIBILITY: Employees of public, private or parochial K-12 schools.

CONTACT: To enter your Florida school, visit the website at www.school.discovery.com/cdwg.

Singing for Change (SFC) / Jimmy Buffett's Margaritaville

Supporting Programs in Three Areas of Interest

PROGRAM: Jimmy Buffett's Singing for Change grants focus on three areas of interest including:

- **Children and families:** programs are concerned with the health, education and protection of children and their families. Projects that foster self-esteem and self-sufficiency and that teach nonviolence and creative problem solving are most likely to be considered.
- **The environment:** programs will promote environmental awareness and teach people methods of conservation, protection and the responsible use of natural resources.
- **Disenfranchised groups:** SFC defines these groups as people who have been marginalized in society because of their low levels of skill, education or income; people with AIDS, disabilities, and homeless people. Projects likely to be considered are those which:
  1. help people overcome social or economic barriers to education or employment
  2. promote the empowerment of individuals toward self-sufficiency, and provide opportunities for personal growth
  3. demonstrate human equality and encourage people to cross boundary lines to help others.

DEADLINE: One page letters of interest are accepted year-round, full proposals are by invitation only.

FUNDING: Ranges from $500.00-$10,000.00.

ELIGIBILITY: 501(c)3 nonprofits.

CONTACT: Judith Ranger Smith, Executive Director SFC Charitable Foundation, Inc., email: info@singingforchange.com, PO Box 7210, Kansas City, MO 64113, (816) 363.8132 Phone, fax: (816) 363.1290.

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http://www.firn.edu/doe/grants/grants.htm.

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